

**DPW Commission Meeting
Wednesday, January 6, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
Police Station Community Room**

Approval Items:

Commissioner Reed made a motion to accept last month's minutes, Commissioner Gardner seconded, Vote: 3-0.

Open Session

E. Hutchins, 45 Poole's Lane, said he is very concerned about what is being done at the MBTA tracks. He asked that this issue be put on as an agenda item.

T. Arsenian, 95 Granite Street, brought up the issue of too much salt being used on the roads; he also questioned the progress and outcome of the building study.

New Business:

Chris Martin from the water plant attended the meeting to discuss the future of staffing at the water plant. His concern is that several operators are getting ready to retire within the next five years or so. It now takes at least three years to obtain the needed licenses to operate the plant. C. Martin wanted to start thinking about creative ways to fill positions in the future. Chairman Sena asked for a copy of the union contract so he has a better understanding of the situation.

A Budget Workshop with the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Tuesday, 1/19/16 at 7pm at Town Hall, the DPW's FY 17 budget is on the agenda.

Ongoing Capital Projects:

J. Parisi talked about meeting with others regarding the new DPW facility design.

A contractor has been hired for Granite Pier. They will start bringing in stone in about three weeks.

J. Parisi spoke about the dredging of Mill Pond and how that portion of the project can be pushed forward. There was a discussion about the best way to accomplish this. Ultimately, funding will determine what gets done.

Next Meeting:

Budget Workshop with the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, 1/19/16 at 7pm at Town Hall.

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Reed seconded, Vote: 3-0.